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TO: Minerals File

FROM: D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor *DWH*

RE: Site Inspection, Staker/Oldcastle Beck Street Mining Operations, Salt Lake County, Utah

Date of Inspection: July 3, 2002
Time of Inspection: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Conditions: Partly cloudy, warm
Participants: Doug Jensen, Amber Fortner, Wayne Hedberg – Oil, Gas & Mining; Randy Anderson, Paul Glauser, Michael Dalley, Harry Carrington, Sterling Stoddard, and Stuart Ernst – Staker & Parson Companies

Purpose of Inspection: To perform preliminary site inspection of Staker & Parson Companies, Beck Street aggregate operations to evaluate status of their mining activities and assess our potential regulatory jurisdiction.

Observations:

Initially, we met with the above referenced company representatives in the operator's office to explain our intentions and the purpose of the inspection. We fielded a number of questions from the company representatives and also acknowledged our need of further direction from administration to provide answers to some of the more difficult permitting issues/questions. Following our office discussion, we proceeded by vehicle to inspect the extent of their mining operations.

1st Stop – Beck Street North

We proceeded northeast from the main offices to the extreme northern end of their property that borders the adjacent Lakeview aggregate quarry. This is currently an active mine area where overburden and alluvial material is being dozed from the hillside exposing the underlying bedrock. Mr. Carrington indicated that this area would continue to be mined and would be a major source for road building material should the Legacy Highway get the green light.

2nd Stop – Beck Street South

The second area viewed was the south-central portion of the project area (just south of the current office building and scales) that is presently being prepped/benched with dozers for re-activation of mining operations. The previous Monroc processing plant and attendant facilities are being demolished and removed from the site. Mr. Carrington explained that their long range plan was to relocate and centralize all of their crushing, stockpiling and associated retail sales activities to this general area.

3rd Stop – Falcon Ridge

The third area visited was the Falcon Ridge project area located at the far southeast end of the company properties. This is the old Gardner Quarry/Pit that was purchased by Staker & Parsons recently. Mr. Carrington stated that they have no plans to reenter and mine this property at this time. The company is in the process of dismantling the existing crusher and conveyor and plans to transport it down to their Keigley Quarry in Utah County for continued operations.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

We concluded our inspection back at the main offices and advised the operator that we would summarize our initial inspection notes and observations and inform them of our findings regarding jurisdiction and permitting requirements for their Beck Street operations.

All of the pits at the Staker/Oldcastle Beck Street facilities are capable of producing both unconsolidated alluvial and consolidated bedrock-based rock aggregate products. In-pit highwalls and benches typical of standard drilling and blasting practices are evident onsite. Materials specified in the contracts that the operator will enter into in the future would dictate production priorities. This mining operation should be placed on the list of sites to be permitted by the Division.